

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment filed on 6/27/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-24.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

Claims 1-10 and 18-19 are allowed because none of the prior art references of record teaches an ink jet printer head comprising a first adhering portion that adheres to a first exposed edge portion of at least one ejector unit that is different from a first to-be-sealed portion of one surface of the at least one ejector unit; the first adhering portion adheres to a second exposed portion of a cover member that is different from the second to-be-sealed portion of a cover thereof and is adjacent to the first exposed edge portion of the at least one ejector unit, so as to fix the at least one ejector unit and the cover member to each other in the combination as claimed.

Claims 11-21 are allowed because none of the prior art references of record teaches a method of producing an ink jet printer head a step of: adhering and fixing, with a first adhesive, a first exposed edge portion of at least one ejector unit that is different from the first to-be-sealed portion thereof and a second exposed portion of a cover member that is different from the second to-be-sealed portion of a cover thereof and is adjacent to the first exposed edge portion of the at least one ejector unit, to each other, with a first adhesive in the combination as claimed.

Claims 22-24 are allowed because none of the prior art references of record teaches an ink jet printer head comprising at least one sealing portion which seals a first to-be-sealed portion of one surface of at least one ejector unit and a second to-be-sealed portion of a cover member to each other continuously along an entire periphery of at least one first opening of the cover member; at least one first adhering portion which adheres to a first exposed edge portion of the other surface of the at least one ejector unit, and additionally adheres to a second exposed portion of the cover member that is different from the second to-be-sealed portion thereof and is adjacent to the first exposed edge portion of the at least one ejector unit, so as to fix said at least one ejector unit and the cover member to each other; and at least one second adhering portion which adheres to at least the at least one ejector unit, so as to fix the other surface of the at least one ejector unit to the bottom wall of the frame member, wherein the at


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least one second adhering portion is at least partially offset, in an off-set direction parallel to the bottom wall, from the at least one first adhering portion adhering to the first exposed edge portion of the at least one ejector unit and the second exposed portion of the cover member in the combination as claimed.

CONCLUSION

Any comments considered necessarily by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Anh Vo whose telephone number is (571) 272-2262. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday to Friday from 9:30 A.M. to 7:30 P.M.. The fax number of this Group 2800 is (571) 273-8300.



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